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Dear Jim:

Our General Counsel and I have studied your long letter and indeed have great sympathy for your situation. From our point of view it does not appear to provide a Government conflict of interest problem, but I can certainly see that it does from yours and from those of the various companies with which you are associated.

In order to take care of your situation, I would suggest that we formally drop your name as a member of the Purcell Panel so that you can in no way be officially associated with the report, and you can disclaim to those with whom you have dealings any responsibility for its views. In this respect you can probably be considered much like [REDACTED] who was a consultant for industrial reasons as well.

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Regardless of whether you show up officially as a member, I should like to say that your participation was really a great help, and as usual you made major contributions. I cannot, however, see in any way how your assistance could be considered prejudicial by any of the groups with which you are associated. I have discussed this proposed action with [REDACTED] who concurs.

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Thank you again very much for your help, and I hope we can still call on you occasionally without putting you too much on the spot.

Sincerely,

*12/ Pete*

Herbert Scoville, Jr.

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